



EAST COUNTY SELPA AND THE DIAGNOSTIC CENTER, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PRESENT

BEING A PARA PRO OF INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

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CONTENT:

Designed for paraprofessionals/instructional assistants, this training will focus on best practices for supporting students with special needs in inclusive settings. Information provided will include the following: inclusive education—the what and the why, understanding the paraeducator role in the general education classroom, increasing student independence, supporting peer relationships, and how cognitive development supports learning, communication, and behavior.

PARTICIPANTS WILL:

1. Understand the what and the why of inclusive education.
2. Be able to define the role of the paraprofessional/instructional assistant in inclusive settings.
3. Increase awareness of how cognitive development impacts learning, behavior, and communication.
4. Learn strategies to support behavior, independence, and peer relationships.
5. Explore accommodations and modifications to support access and engagement.

AUDIENCE:

Paraprofessionals/instructional assistants who support students in inclusive settings. Staff who support and/or supervise paraprofessionals/instructional assistants who work with students with disabilities in inclusive settings.

LOCATION:

Live Webinar
(Link will be provided 48 hours prior to the training to those registered)

DATE & TIME:

Tuesday
December 8, 2026

Session: 1PM - 2:30PM

REGISTRATION:

Register by December 4, 2026



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